

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 2503

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Regarding membership on the board of natural resources.

Sponsors: House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representative Blake).

House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources
Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

Background:

The Board of Natural Resources (Board) serves various functions in state government. It is primarily known as the administrative entity responsible for policies relating to the Department of Natural Resources and state trust land management. However, the Board also serves as the state's constitutionally required Commission on Harbor Lines and Board of Appraisers.

The Board is comprised of six members. Those members are required in statute to be the Governor or the Governor's designee, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Commissioner of Public Lands, a representative from both the University of Washington (UW) and Washington State University (WSU), and a representative of local government.

The representatives of the two universities are required to be the dean of the UW's "College of Forest Resources" and WSU's "College of Agriculture." Currently, these formal names do not exist for either university. The former UW College of Forest Resources is now a school within the College of the Environment and the dean of that college serves on the Board. The former WSU College of Agriculture is now the College of Agriculture, Human, and Natural Resources Science, and the dean of that college serves on the Board.

Summary:

The requirements for service on the Board are changed for the university representatives. The representative of the University of Washington is changed to the director of the School of Forest Resources. The representative of Washington State University is changed to the dean of the College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Resources Science.

Votes on Final Passage:

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House	95	0	
Senate	48	0	(Senate amended)
House	94	0	(House concurred)

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